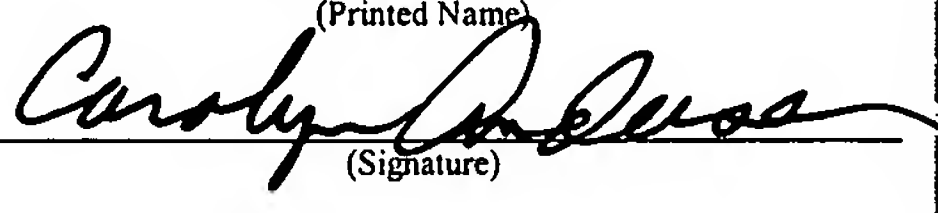




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Sir:

This paper is filed in response to the July 28, 2006 Final Office Action in the above-identified application. Applicants file herewith, a Request for Continued Examination Under 37 C.F.R. 1.114 and fee of \$1,155.00 for Request for Continued Examination pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.17(e) (\$395.00), a Petition for a Three (3) Month Extension of Time (\$510.00), and additional claims fees (\$250.00). With the extension, these documents are due on or before January 29, 2007.

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also hereby authorized to charge any other fees due with this submission and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 50-3431, Ref. No. 079777-0564.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 3 of this document.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 6 of this document.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 10 of this document.

Please amend the application as follows: